

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 645

By Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Ryan Verhulst, the 2016 TSSAA Division I A-AA Wrestling 132-pound weight class champion.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school athletes who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary athlete is wrestler Ryan Verhulst of Alcoa High School; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Verhulst recently won the TSSAA Division I A-AA Wrestling Championship in the 132-pound weight class; and

WHEREAS, one of the most demanding sports, wrestling is also one of the oldest sporting competitions, tracing its roots to the ancient Greeks and the earliest Olympic games; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Verhulst displayed the strength, agility, tenacity, and perseverance of a true champion and represented his school and the State of Tennessee in fine fashion, displaying peerless character both on and off the wrestling mat; and

WHEREAS, Ryan Verhulst has etched his name in the annals of Tennessee sports history; his dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent not only made possible a championship, but also surely point toward his success in future endeavors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Ryan Verhulst upon winning the TSSAA Division I A-AA Wrestling Championship in the 132-pound weight class and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.